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## I. Potential References of Interest

### A. Dialog

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#### **Risk-rating systems bring consistency to commercial lending**

Laudeman, Mark  
Commercial Lending Review v8n3 pp: 28-39  
Summer 1993

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#### **Text:**

...see the small-business market as a growth opportunity. The profit potential in banking the small business is a function of the efficient processing of **loan applications** and of basing decisions on a thorough analysis of each loan applicant.

\* Credit policies typically have not given lenders much guidance on what constitutes a...impossible to implement. For example, the rules for rating a single ratio like the leverage ratio would need to consider:

\* the historic trend of the **ratio**,

\* a **comparison** with industry averages,

\* whether the **ratio** is in line with the bank's tolerance for leverage as defined by its policy,

\* any causal relationships with other financial ratios,

\* the extent of...

...follows many different decision **rules** so that the leverage rating reflects the following: the trend in the ratio over the past several periods, how the **ratio compares** with the average leverage **ratio** of its industry peers, whether it is within the range of acceptable leverage defined in the bank's credit policy, and the extent to which...ratios are combined into an overall risk rating, the collective change may be significant enough to trigger a loan officer's interest. In addition, risk **assessments** streamline reporting by eliminating the **false** alarms that can limit the effectiveness of a reporting system based on payment delinquency, overdrafts, or financial statement ratios.

RISK RATING OF PROSPECTIVE CUSTOMERS. By...

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## PROPERTY RATING AND RANKING SYSTEM AND METHOD SYSTEME ET PROCEDE D'EVALUATION ET DE CLASSEMENT DE PROPRIETE

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### Detailed Description:

...subject property. All of the subject property information is editable.

Rating and/or ranking may be accomplished, at least in part, by obtaining an automated **property valuation** of the subject property and **comparing** the proposed list price to the automated property valuation. Changing the list price for the subject property typically changes the rating and/or ranking, when...low end valuation of the subject property, for example the sale price of the subject property at foreclosure or auction. At the time of mortgage **loan application**, for example, an automated property valuation is obtained and a DV is obtained. Forecasted valuations and DVs are also determined for one or more...UDC system and is hosted on application system 150 application server 152 in the illustrative

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embodiment. Depending on the embodiment, the AAEL system equity **loan application** 200 of FIG. 2A may or may not be included with the UDC system. Additionally, the property valuation system 160 may also be optional, for...0 evaluation criteria to determine if it is appropriate to alert the client. If the client defined a spread criteria, comparator 916 is tasked to **compare** a certain parameter (e. g., **property valuation**) of each candidate property with the client's current property valuation to determine if the spread is achieved. That is, typically, the automated property valuation... ..g., property valuation) may

be compared to a parameter not tied to the current property. As an example, the RA system may be configured to **compare property valuation** of one or more candidate properties to cost of living within the second market and alert the client when an optimal relationship exists. Or, the...manager 1316, and a payment manager 1314 are also included, as described in further detail below.

As an example, at the time of a mortgage **loan application** by the client to borrow to purchase the subject property, or to borrow against the subject property, the lender uses the PGV system to obtain...skilled in the art. For example, a current DV may be determined or estimated by DV manager 1312 using past foreclosure comparable sales data and **comparing** that data to automated **property valuations** for the same subject properties. Forecast manager 1322 may then forecast DVs for the guarantee period, or for one or more points of time therein... variety of manners, but is preferably accomplished by looking at historical data on past foreclosure sales for homes similar to the subject property in that **geographic area** and **comparing** those foreclosure sale prices to the retrospective automated property valuations as of the time of the foreclosure sales. hi one form, 30 DV manager...

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## SCORE BASED DECISIONING

PRISE DE DECISION BASEE SUR UN RESULTAT

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### Detailed Description:

...then transfers at least part of the address and zip code data along with the credit card number to a server for approval. The server **compares the zip code** and billing address data with the physical address to which a cardholder's credit card is registered. Once the server compares this information, the server...1) that a client will provide an honest response, 2) that a client is a good credit risk, for example, in the context of a **loan application**, or 3) that a client will make a good research subject.

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The interaction-processing server 100 returns the transaction score to the merchant server...

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### Artificial intelligence on a budget

Elliott, Micheline M

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#### Text:

...in less time. Fallouts would be practically nonexistent. And borrowers would immediately know if they qualified to buy a home."

AQUARIUS automates underwriting by screening **loan applications** to ensure that they meet every criteria for a particular loan program and that they comply with all current requirements of the secondary market investor. It then analyzes the loan in the same manner as an underwriter. And it serves as a gateway to artificial intelligence **fraud detection**, statistical **property valuation**, loan status reporting and other automated quality-control **data bases**. In addition, it may also provide access to industry real estate data sources and local multiple listing services. AQUARIUS can be adapted for each installation...

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**AppIntell Completes a Financing Led by Citigroup.**

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AppIntell, Inc., formerly known as New City Asset Management, a leading developer of online **fraud detection** and data integrity verification software for **mortgage applications**, today announced the closing of an equity investment led by Citigroup and including Millennium 3, a venture capital fund.

(Photo: <http://www.newscom.com/cgi-bin/prnh/20010118/CGTH008> )

Citigroup's investment is primarily targeted towards accelerating the growth of AppIntell's key **fraud detection** products Discco(TM) (Data Integrity Search & SCOrE) and Fradar(TM) (FRAud Desktop Appraisal Review) systems. Discco and Fradar, the first web enabled fraud prevention systems, are emerging as the **fraud detection** tools of choice for both credit applications (i.e. **Mortgage Application** Form 1003) and collateral valuations (i.e. Appraisal). Blind sample test results of current Discco and Fradar users, including six "top 20" lenders, indicate an 82% to 98% accuracy rate in **identifying fraud** or other types of critical data integrity errors in **mortgage applications** and appraisals.

"This investment will enhance AppIntell's ability to grow its unique fraud detection products in order to meet the expanding demand for fraud...

...pre-funding fraud protection is emerging as an essential survival strategy. Broader acceptance of Discco and Fradar fraud (data integrity) scores, as an industry standard **benchmark**, is gaining momentum with mortgage wholesalers, retailers, investors, insurers and warehouse banks. Discco and Fradar's real-time scoring technology allows the daily analysis of...

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DIALOG(R)File 348: EUROPEAN PATENTS

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02034966

**Method and apparatus for constructing a forecast standard deviation for automated valuation modeling**

Verfahren und Vorrichtung zur Berechnung einer Vorhersage- Standardabweichung für automatisierte Bewertungsmodellierung

Procede et dispositif de calcul d'un ecart type de prediction pour modelisation de valuation automatisee

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SPEC A		(English)	200612	14771
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Total Word Count (All Documents) 17018				

**Specification:** ...contract is entered into by a buyer and seller, subject to the buyer receiving a loan to purchase the property. The buyer then submits a **loan application** to a lender based on the agreed upon purchase price. The responsive confidence score method provides the lender with a confidence score based on the...

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**Detection method of fraud in mortgage application, involves computing price ratio data using valuation history data for subject property and historical sales data for property in geographic area containing subject property**

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Inventor: CAGAN C L

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**Detection method of fraud in mortgage application, involves computing price ratio data using valuation history data for subject property and historical sales data for property in geographic area containing subject property** Inventor: CAGAN C L **Alerting Abstract** ...the area, are obtained from computer system. The price ratio data is computed using the obtained data, for computing distortion index to detect fraud in **mortgage application**. Original Publication Data by Authority Argentina **Publication No.** Inventor name & address: **Cagan, Christopher L...** **Original Abstracts:** A method of detection of fraud in a **mortgage application**: in a **computer system**, maintaining a database of sales prices of real properties in a geographic area where the property is located; obtaining a valuation history for the property... **Claims:** 1. A method of detection of fraud in a claim of valuation, such as an appraisal or a **mortgage application** for purchase, **loan, or** refinance of a subject real property to be used as collateral for the mortgage, using a computer system, the method comprising the steps of: maintaining... .. geographic area in which the subject property is located, and computing a distortion index based on the price ratio data to detect fraud in the **mortgage application.**>

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S3	30553	FRAUD?

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**Detection method of fraud in mortgage application, involves computing price ratio data using valuation history data for subject property and historical sales data for property in geographic area containing subject property** **Original Titles:**Method for mortgage fraud detection **Alerting Abstract ...NOVELTY - A database of sales prices** of several real properties in a geographic area in which subject real property is located, is maintained in computer system. The valuation history data for ... ..for property in the area, are obtained from computer system. The price ratio data is computed using the obtained data, for computing distortion index to **detect fraud in mortgage application.** ...USE - For **detecting fraudulent** activities in claim of valuation, such as mortgage and appraisal applications for purchase, loan and refinancing of subject real property, using computer system... ..DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows a block diagram of the information flow of the process of **detecting mortgage fraud.** **Original Publication Data by Authority****ArgentinaPublication No. Original Abstracts:**A method of **detection of fraud in a mortgage application:** in a **computer system,** maintaining a **database of sales prices** of real **properties** in a geographic area where the property is located; obtaining a valuation history for the property; obtaining historical sales data for similar properties in the geographic... **Claims:1.** A method of **detection of fraud** in a claim of valuation, such as an appraisal or a **mortgage application** for purchase, **loan, or** refinancing of a subject real property to be used as collateral for the mortgage, using a computer system, the method comprising the steps of:maintaining a **database of sales prices** in the **computer system** of a plurality of real properties in a geographic area in which the subject real property is located,obtaining from the computer system valuation history data for... .. subject property in the geographic area in which the subject property is located, andcomputing a distortion index based on the price ratio data to **detect fraud** in the **mortgage application.**>

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**MORTGAGE AUCTION PROCESS MODEL**  
**MODELE D'UN PROCESSUS D'ENCHERES HYPOTHECAIRES**

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### Detailed Description:

...through a lender directly or through a broker affiliated with a set of lenders. For example, a consumer may enter a bank and complete a **loan application** provided by that lender. In addition, this consumer authorizes the lender to retrieve a copy of his credit report. Subsequently, the lender decides whether to offer a loan based on the consumer's **loan application** and credit report. In making this decision, lenders may vary the amount they charge a consumer for the loan in terms of fees and interest rate.

To increase the chance of attaining a competitive offer, the consumer may contact multiple lenders, complete multiple **loan applications**, and authorize the release of multiple credit reports. Though "shopping around" may marginally increase the chance of getting a

competitive priced financing directly... ...a consumer completes an application and authorizes the mortgage broker to obtain one copy of his credit report. Subsequently, the mortgage broker may submit the **loan application** to several lending institutions. As previously described, lenders consider whether they want to offer a loan based on the **loan application** and credit score. However, mortgage brokers that generate repeat business for lenders may aid the consumer in getting a more competitive offer. In addition, the... ...the mortgage broker. Moreover, the process may subject the borrower to a considerable amount of time. For example, a broker may have to submit a **loan application** of a borrower with a low credit score to several lenders before finding one that will offer a loan. Though using both mortgage brokers and... ...lending institutions can save the valuable resources and money spent on finding potential customers.



Generally described, the invention is a method for electronically auctioning a **loan application** submitted by a borrower. The borrower submits for auction an electronic **loan application** consisting of the borrower profile ... electronically bid on the application during the bidding interval.

More specifically described, the Mortgage Auction Process is an multi-tiered, on-line marketplace where consumer **mortgage applications** are bid upon in an auction format by competing lending institutions. A borrower visits the mortgage auction site and completes an application. The application includes...provided.

In step 900, the mortgage auction process routine 108 provides a participation agreement for acceptance by the borrower. The agreement authorizes the borrower's **loan application** information and credit profile to be provided to lenders. However, the name, social security number, and contact information generally will not be provided except to...108 1 5 creates a borrower profile from the borrower information stored in step 1004. The borrower profile may include a large portion of the **mortgage application**, as well as scores from the borrower's credit report. But, it does not include identifying information regarding the borrower. For example, the loan summary... fee, the appraisal fee, the origination fee and discount points.

Furthermore, there is a button "Submit Bid". Below such button, there is provided a selected **mortgage application** window 1585 identifying those application in the auction which meet the established criteria. Such window 1585 lists information in a row/column format identifying the... generally consists of fees and a base interest rate. The bids are based upon the information provided to the lender from the auction borrower's **loan applications**. Step 1702 is followed by step 1704, in which the mortgage auction process routine 108 converts the bids to a comparative index. The comparative index...

## Claims:

...Auction Review Status

Message BodyDear %username:As you know, your loan auction was scheduled to close today.Unfortunately, we have not received an appropriate **loan package** to Z,60fit your particular home financing needs. While there may be severalreasons for this situation, it is generally an indicator that lenders...you will greatly increase your chances for success In the Mortgage Auction.Debt Ratio Analysis:Your anticipated mortgage request indicates that your BACK END DEST RATIO. (the **comparison** of your outgoing debt payments as a percentage of your total income in addition to your anticipated mortgage amount) Is 0%. Such a ratio generally...an address #W you may have already entered into our system. Get started by simply selecting the purpose of the loan. You can create a **mortgage application** for a new address or for an address that you may have already entered in our system.Create A New **Mortgage Application**What you may needWhat Is the purpose of this loan?... Monthly expensesaExi;ting mortgageinformationTo purchase a new home. aincome information7... ..read and agree to the following terms: -Gr(@k@.com's Mortgage Auction may request ONE credit report. When placed on the auction block, my **loan application** and credit profile (EXCWDING my Name, SSN, and Contact Information) is provided to lenders for bidding. Only the lender that submits the winning bid will receive my complete **loan package**, including name, full credit report and contact information. The Consumer Disclosure. I am ready to use the Auction to get the lowest rates and fees...thorough review of the potential borrower's income, debt, and property specifics. The Lender may

withdraw its loan offer if any of Consumers information is **determined** to be inaccurate or intentionally **fraudulent**. Due to the complexity and size of the contemplated transaction, Consumer should not rely exclusively upon the information provided in this website. A qualified individual... ..to any service from the tabs above.Addresses On RecordAddress County State ZipCodeNo Street Entered No County Defined No No Zip DefExisting **Mortgage Application(s)**Mortgage ID "EnterDate Address Statusedit I messages Application not yet completedOur ServicesMortgage Auction Rto-pty-Ana lyabsLDo you know how... ..is thelo easdest way to get theWest rate -- guaranteedCompanyHome 11 MyHomePlanner V My Activity Into Privacy Contact UsPrevious PageSample **Loan Package**Application ID: 99999Buyer's ProfileCredit Scores: Beacon: 750 - Fair Isaac: 746 - Empirica: 745View Credit Report 4:!:@:- 1 D-TdDebt Ratios (Front...Property AnalysisGet your FREE ResidentialProperty Report now.Company j Privacy Contact UsHome I MyHomePlanner My Activity InfoBidding Bulk BiddingMy Activity **Mortgage Applications**Auction Bulk Bidding AmountsWhat is Bulk Bidding?Interest Rate:LegalFee: \$1= Processing Fee: \$ = Underwriting Fee: \$Document Preparation Fee: \$= Appraisal Fee: \$= Origination Fee: =0/0... ..Property AnalysisGet your FREE ResidentialProperty Report now.CompanyHome MyHomePlanner My Activity Into Privacy Contact UsBidding Bulk Bidding @A AuctionMy Activity **Mortgage Applications**Corn, welcome to the Auction Review. View all mortgage profiles and credit reoorts for free, then submit your best rates and fees in an online...

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## SCORE BASED DECISIONING

### PRISE DE DECISION BASEE SUR UN RESULTAT

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### Detailed Description:

...the cost of shipping.

#### 3) Loss from Human Intervention

Presently, an on-line merchant can attempt to use parameter-based rules and negative files to **determine** credit card **fraud**. Parameter based rules use if/then logic to attempt to identify aberrant behavior based on specific data such as negative file information. Negative files are ...burdensome order forms stand to gain significant market share.

#### 8) Limitations of Most Fraud-Risk Solutions

On-line retailers have been implementing a range of **fraud detection** and reduction techniques to combat the problems described above. Typical solutions that on-line merchants have deployed include the use of rule sets and basic... rule might read: 'IF the transaction amount is over \$1000 and the ship-to address is outside North America THEN decline the transaction'. Rule-based **fraud detection** and reduction methods by themselves are limited because they.

Fail to **detect** an unacceptably large amount of **fraud**

Result in high false-positive rates (a false-positive result occurs when a **fraud detection** method flags a valid transaction as potentially fraudulent) Create a high volume of cases requiring human intervention to investigate

transactions identified as potentially fraudulent

Are slow to adapt to new methods of committing **fraud**, requiring new rules to **identify the fraud**

#### b) Address Verification Service (AVS)

AVS attempts to verify that the **billing address** for a credit card presented by a customer is the same as... then transfers at least part of the address and zip code data along with the credit card number to a server for approval. The server **compares the zip code** and **billing address** data with the physical address to which a cardholder's credit card is registered. Once the server compares this information, the server... result of the comparison.

AVS was designed for mail and telephone orders and many on-line merchants presently use AVS. However, AVS has no international **fraud detection** capability, is not designed for on-line transactions, and is available only for certain credit cards.

Furthermore, there are many legitimate instances when the shipping...a fraud score for the requested transaction. The transaction-scoring model and its operation are described in U.S. Patent No. 5,819,226, entitled '**Fraud Detection Using Predictive Modeling**' and incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

Interaction-processing server 100 provides the merchant with an evaluation of the initial information a **loan application**, or 3) that a client will make a good research subject.

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The interaction-processing server 100 returns the transaction score to the merchant server... ..question set with a high expected value of fulfillment.

In a preferred embodiment, the information value prediction model uses the information obtained to create the **fraud** score to **determines** 146 the value of the missing information represented by the question set. In addition, a friction model, using

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#### **Detailed Description:**

...then transfers at least part of the address and zip code data along with the credit card number to a server for approval. The server **compares the zip code** and billing address data with the physical address to which a cardholder's credit card is registered. Once the server compares this information, the server...1) that a client will provide an honest response, 2) that a client is a good credit risk, for example, in the context of a **loan application**, or 3) that a client will make a good research subject.

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The interaction-processing server 100 returns the transaction score to the merchant server...

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**PROPERTY RATING AND RANKING SYSTEM AND METHOD**  
SYSTEME ET PROCEDE D'EVALUATION ET DE CLASSEMENT DE PROPRIETE

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### Detailed Description:

...subject property. All of the subject property information is editable.

Rating and/or ranking may be accomplished, at least in part, by obtaining an automated **property valuation** of the subject property and **comparing** the proposed list price to the automated property valuation. Changing the list price for the subject property typically changes the rating and/or ranking, when...low end valuation of the subject property, for example the sale price of the subject property at foreclosure or auction. At the time of mortgage **loan application**, for example, an automated property valuation is obtained and a DV is obtained. Forecasted valuations and DVs are also determined for one or more...UDC system and is hosted on application system 150 application server 152 in the illustrative

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embodiment. Depending on the embodiment, the AAEL system equity **loan application** 200 of FIG. 2A may or may not be included with the UDC system. Additionally, the property valuation system 160 may also be optional, for...0 evaluation criteria to determine if it is appropriate to alert the client. If the client defined a spread criteria, comparator 916 is tasked to **compare** a certain parameter (e. g., **property valuation**) of each candidate property with the client's current property valuation to determine if the spread is achieved. That is, typically, the automated property valuation... ..g., property valuation) may be compared to a parameter not tied to the current property. As an example, the RA system may be configured to **compare property valuation** of one or more candidate properties to cost of living within the second market and alert the client when an optimal relationship exists. Or, the...manager 1316, and a payment manager 1314 are also included, as described in further detail below.

As an example, at the time of a mortgage **loan application** by the client to borrow to purchase the subject property, or to borrow against the subject property, the lender uses the PGV system to obtain... ..skilled in the art. For example, a current DV may be determined or estimated by DV manager 1312 using past foreclosure comparable sales data and **comparing** that data to automated **property valuations** for the same subject properties. Forecast manager 1322 may then forecast DVs for the guarantee period, or for one or more points of time therein... ..variety of manners, but is preferably accomplished by looking at historical data on past foreclosure sales for homes similar to the subject property in that **geographic area** and **comparing** those foreclosure sale prices to the retrospective automated property valuations as of the time of the foreclosure sales. hi one form, 3 0 DV manager...

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**Method and apparatus for constructing a forecast standard deviation for automated valuation modeling**

Verfahren und Vorrichtung zur Berechnung einer Vorhersage- Standardabweichung für automatisierte Bewertungsmodellierung

Procede et dispositif de calcul d'un ecart type de prediction pour modelisation de valuation automatisee

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**Specification:** ...contract is entered into by a buyer and seller, subject to the buyer receiving a loan to purchase the property. The buyer then submits a **loan application** to a lender based on the agreed upon purchase price. The responsive confidence score method provides the lender with a confidence score based on the...

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**Detection method of fraud in mortgage application, involves computing price ratio data using valuation history data for subject property and historical sales data for property in geographic area containing subject property**

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Inventor: CAGAN C L

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**Detection method of fraud in mortgage application, involves computing price ratio data using valuation history data for subject property and historical sales data for property in geographic area containing subject property** Inventor: CAGAN C L **Alerting Abstract** ...the area, are obtained from computer system. The price ratio data is computed using the obtained data, for computing distortion index to detect fraud in **mortgage application**. Original Publication Data by AuthorityArgentina**Publication No.** Inventor name & address: **Cagan, Christopher L...** **Original Abstracts:**A method of detection of fraud in a **mortgage application**: in a **computer system**, maintaining a database of sales prices of real properties in a geographic area where the property is located; obtaining a valuation history for the property... **Claims:1.** A method of detection of fraud in a claim of valuation, such as an appraisal or a **mortgage application** for purchase, **loan, or** refinance of a subject real property to be used as collateral for the mortgage, using a computer system, the method comprising the steps of:maintaining,... .. geographic area in which the subject property is located, andcomputing a distortion index based on the price ratio data to detect fraud in the **mortgage application.**>

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**BLACK WEALTH, BLACK CREDIT: RESTRICTED ACCESS TO LONG-TERM  
 MORTGAGE CREDIT AND THE BLACK-WHITE WEALTH GAP**

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...explanation of why a long-term credit constraint may exist even when short-term credit is readily available.

In the absence of racial discrimination, a **mortgage application** should be accepted or rejected on the basis of the applicant's probability of repaying the loan. Using data from the Fair Lending Practices Pilot Project, a credit model was developed to test the creditworthiness of various mortgage applicants. In addition to independent variables that should **determine** an applicant's probability of repaying the loan, the race, sex, and marital status of the applicants were included as independent variables. The dependent variable... or rejection of the loan. In a non-discriminatory credit market, a black and white of similar creditworthiness should be equally likely of having their **loan application** accepted. Testing using a

logit procedure revealed that in five of the six test cities, when blacks and whites of equal creditworthiness were compared, blacks... ..credit requirements than are whites in order to secure mortgage loan approval. The results from the fifth test city are consistent with the existence of **illegal** redlining.

The evidence of racial discrimination in the home mortgage market implies serious problems in closing the wealth gap separating black and white Americans. While...

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 S24 1 AU=(CAGAN, C? OR CAGAN C? OR CHRISTOPHER(2N)CAGAN)  
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Comtois, James

Mortgage Servicing News , v 13 , n 6 , p 30 , Jul 2009 **Document Type:** Periodical; News **Language:** English **Record Type:** Abstract

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### Tougher times for housing investors

Jamie Smith Hopkins

Baltimore Sun

July 29, 2007

**Document Type:** NEWSPAPER **Record Type:** FULLTEXT **Language:** ENGLISH  
**Word Count:** 1869

### Lead Paragraph:

#### Text:

...prices start to move south or sideways, the ramification is their greater willingness to walk. It basically creates more volatility."

Interthinx Inc., a California mortgage **fraud detection** company, said just over 30 percent of the Baltimore **loan applications** it looked at in the first five months of the year had possible "property valuation" problems -- often inflated values. That compares with 8 percent nationwide.

Interthinx believes inflated values are a mix of fraud and honest overpricing. The report identified other types of potential fraud in...



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**Pop The Cork ; For the seventh year in a row, Mortgage Technology honors technology achievements in mortgage lending.**

Anonymous

Mortgage Technology , v 13 , n 8 , p 26-40 , Nov 1, 2006 **Document Type:** Periodical; News **Language:** English **Record Type:** Fulltext  
**Word Count:** 7,674

**ARTICLE REFERENCE NUMBER:**

...The company operates on the premise that no single lender's database can possibly contain all the data necessary to support a go-it-alone **fraud detection** and prevention system with the degree of certainty needed for an automated detection strategy. The company tasked itself with providing algorithms "much like the algorithms Google and Yahoo utilize to search large numbers of Web pages" to search large amounts of data and **identify fraud-suspect** patterns very quickly. Interthinx offers its system on an ASP basis. The framework for Interthinx is the services and products offered through its FraudNET technology, which analyzes proprietary, shared, third-party and **loan application** data. The centerpiece is FraudGUARD, which brings to

bear pattern-matching analytics, proprietary algorithms and the expertise it has gathered as a top-tier provider...  
...calculates 1003 data, neighborhood and property analysis. It can be applied to a single loan or to a pool of loans. Approximately half a million mortgage applications are run through the system every month. "To protect lenders against fraud, solutions providers need comprehensive knowledge representations (KRs) that adequately express the fraud schemes...

...rapidly evolve their schemes to avoid detection. The ability to compare schemes and identify commonalities across numerous variables is a key component in helping lenders detect potential fraudulent activity." Victory in our 10X Award category depends on supplying us with sufficient data to document a disproportionately significant impact. What particularly stood out about...

...LoanPerformance's data and its models have helped servicers, issuers and investors to price loans and securities for their true risk and prepayment propensities, to benchmark servicer performance, to set loan loss reserves and perform a host of other functions. Eight of the top 10 prime loan servicers, including Fannie Mae...

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15905361 **Supplier Number:** 200729480 **(USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)**

### **MortgageDashboard Selects Interthinx for "Single Click" Fraud Solution Integration.**

Business Wire , p NA

May 28 , 2009

**Language:** English **Record Type:** Fulltext

**Document Type:** Newswire ; Trade

**Word Count:** 735

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...MortgageDashboard's loan origination system, MortgageDashboard. The integration enables MortgageDashboard to offer customers a seamless interface with automatic and proven screening for potential fraudulent activity. **BenchMark** Mortgage was recently introduced to MortgageDashboard's expanded loan origination system.

"As a result of the Interthinx integration, the added capabilities of MortgageDashboard enables us to confidently check and close loans without potential fraud becoming an issue," said Bryan Harlan, CEO of **BenchMark** Mortgage. "We can catch and prevent fraudulent activity before it has the opportunity to affect our back office, saving significant costs and manpower."

MortgageDashboard integrated Interthinx's **FraudGUARD(R)** product, a proven **fraud detection** tool that measures and scores **fraud** risk against public, private and proprietary data sources. With millions of **mortgage applications** running through Interthinx systems, **FraudGUARD** reports can provide shared data and

findings not available anywhere else in the marketplace.

"Mortgage fraud continues to impact the...

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08230437 **Supplier Number: 69268856 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)**

### **AppIntell Completes a Financing Led by Citigroup.**

PR Newswire , p NA

Jan 18 , 2001

**Language:** English **Record Type:** Fulltext

**Document Type:** Newswire ; Trade

**Word Count:** 528

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AppIntell, Inc., formerly known as New City Asset Management, a leading developer of online **fraud detection** and data integrity verification software for **mortgage applications**, today announced the closing of an equity investment led by Citigroup and including Millennium 3, a venture capital fund.

(Photo: <http://www.newscom.com/cgi-bin/prnh/20010118/CGTH008> )

Citigroup's investment is primarily targeted towards accelerating the growth of AppIntell's key **fraud detection** products Discco(TM) (Data Integrity Search & SCOrE) and Fradar(TM) (FRAud Desktop Appraisal Review) systems. Discco and Fradar, the first web enabled fraud prevention systems, are emerging as the **fraud detection** tools of choice for both credit applications (i.e. **Mortgage Application** Form 1003) and collateral valuations (i.e. **Appraisal**). Blind sample test results of current Discco and Fradar users, including six "top 20" lenders, indicate an 82% to 98% accuracy rate in **identifying fraud** or other types of critical data integrity errors in **mortgage applications** and appraisals.

"This investment will enhance AppIntell's ability to grow its unique fraud detection products in order to meet the expanding demand for fraud...

...pre-funding fraud protection is emerging as an essential survival strategy. Broader acceptance of Discco and Fradar fraud (data integrity) scores, as an industry standard **benchmark**, is gaining momentum with mortgage wholesalers, retailers, investors, insurers and warehouse banks. Discco and Fradar's real-time scoring technology allows the daily analysis of...

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07416034 **Supplier Number:** 62440815 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**New City's Fraud Detection Systems Available Through GHR's PremierLink Network.**

PR Newswire , p NA

May 25 , 2000

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**Word Count:** 655

...Systems Inc., a leading provider of e-commerce lending technology and services, today announced a strategic alliance with New City Asset Management Inc., provider of **loan application** and appraisal **fraud detection** services.

In addition to credit report ordering and third party automated underwriting, fraud decisioning is the latest addition of value-added services to GHR's loan origination network. Through this relationship GHR will enable clients to automatically order **fraud detection** of loans through GHR's PremierLink network and New City's analytical system. "New City's fraud decisioning builds even more value into GHR's...

...New City we will provide clients with integrated and automated rules based order and fulfillment of fraud analysis in conjunction with the submission of each **loan application**. After analyzing the available **fraud detection** services, GHR concluded that New City was at the forefront of the market and we are pleased to partner with New City."

New City's...

...associated with the transactions," explains Steven Halper, president of New City. "Broader acceptance of Disco and Fradar fraud (data integrity) scores, as an industry standard **benchmark**, is gaining momentum with mortgage wholesalers, retailers, investors, insurers and warehouse banks. This recognition translates into lower origination costs, guarantee fees, quality control costs, warehouse...

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02308406 **Supplier Number:** 55006011 (Use Format 7 Or 9 For FULL TEXT )

**Glitches of the Week 06/25/99.**

Newsbytes PM , NA

June 25 , 1999

**Language:** English **Record Type:** Fulltext

**Word Count:** 582 **Line Count:** 00051

...in restitution. According to US Attorney Elizabeth McKibben, Gruidl was caught when he reported his yearly salary as \$100,000 when he filed a home **mortgage application**. Although Gruidl was no longer with the

company at the time, the mortgage company called his former employer to verify his income. When the former...

...and noticed the discrepancy, it notified the FBI, which began a year-long investigation. McKibben said fraud of this type is often extremely difficult to **detect**. As a result, federal computer **fraud** laws were changed last year, expanding their scope from computer hacking to broader types of business fraud.

Radar Outage Leaves Passengers Stranded

The Federal Aviation...

...and-a-half hours last week because of a computer glitch. When trading resumed in the afternoon, traders rushed to **dump** their shares, sending the **benchmark** Straits Times Index sliding almost 15 points to a day low of 2,052.07. But once the wave of selling subsided, bargain-hunting investors...

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12563945 **Supplier Number:** 136644838 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**Interthinx(TM) Expands Public Training Offerings; Online Training for Flagship Solutions**

**Available Online, Free of Charge.**

Business Wire , p NA

Sept 26 , 2005

**Language:** English **Record Type:** Fulltext

**Document Type:** Newswire ; Trade

**Word Count:** 565

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...utilize Interthinx's expertise and industry knowledge to assist in maintaining delivery of quality loans."

Interthinx products and services allow lenders to interpret and validate **loan application** and third party data electronically, permitting them to **identify** errors and **fraud** indicators on the front-end of loan origination. Its data analytics reflect decades of **loan application** and fraud awareness research, **property valuation** information and access to the proprietary National Fraud Protection **Database** (NFPD), information which, when integrated with loan origination and underwriting processes, reduces risk, increases productivity and turnaround time, and helps support overall loan quality.

The...

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12144344 **Supplier Number:** 133177995 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**Mortgage Fraud Giants Sysdome and AppIntelligence Become Interthinx.**

Business Wire , p NA

June 13 , 2005

**Language:** English **Record Type:** Fulltext

**Document Type:** Newswire ; Trade

**Word Count:** 643

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...customers affordable loan products, while delivering quality assets to our investors in the secondary markets."

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**Artificial intelligence on a budget**

Elliott, Micheline M  
Mortgage Banking v54n3 pp: 79-89  
Dec 1993  
ISSN: 0730-0212 Journal Code: MOB  
Word Count: 3015

**Text:**

...in less time. Fallout would be practically nonexistent. And borrowers would immediately know if they qualified to buy a home."

AQUARIUS automates underwriting by screening **loan applications** to ensure that they meet every criteria for a particular loan program and that they comply with all current requirements of the secondary market investor. It then analyzes the loan in the same manner as an underwriter. And it serves as a gateway to artificial intelligence **fraud detection**, statistical **property valuation**, loan status reporting and other automated quality-control **data bases**. In addition, it may also provide access to industry real estate data sources and local multiple listing services. AQUARIUS can be adapted for each installation...

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06800687 **Supplier Number:** 14976217 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**Artificial intelligence on a budget. (automated underwriting in mortgage lending)**

Elliott, Micheline M.  
Mortgage Banking , v54 , n3 , p79(6)  
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**Credit Scoring Digs Deeper Into Data**

( Analysis of data on credit scoring has resulted in creation of highly specific credit scoring models by leading credit scoring developers )

**Article Author:** Friedland, Marc  
Credit World , v 84 , n 5 , p 19-23  
May 1996

**Document Type:** Journal **ISSN:** 0011-1074 ( United States )

**Language:** English **Record Type:** Fulltext; Abstract

**Word Count:** 2358 (Use Format 7 Or 9 For Fulltext)

**Abstract:**

...an association of commercial loan officers and credit risk managers from more than 3,000 financial institutions, is the small business, pooled-data scorecards which **compares** an applicant business' financial **ratios** to standards within the same industry. Article discusses other predictive capabilities of credit scoring.

**Text:**

Creditors Enjoying Broader Decision Support

By Marc Friedland

photo omitted

If asked, many creditors might define credit scoring as a tool for helping to **assess** risk, primarily in application **screening** and account management. While there is nothing inaccurate within that description, it falls far short in fully describing applications for credit scoring today.

Over the...

...lending, credit card portfolios, and mortgage and small business lending. In fact, a bank today can use one scoring model to evaluate a small business **loan application** and another to evaluate a small business credit card application.

Credit scoring is also specific to the outcome it is predicting. In addition to risk...

...application screening, mortgage risk scores offer opportunities for lenders to improve operations in other ways. Using scores, underwriting managers can set up strategies that direct **loan applications** to various underwriters or levels of underwriting. Mortgage lenders can use scores to perform tiered pricing, offering varying rates, fees and point structures based on...

...of the growing small business lending market combines automation and scoring to help lenders dramatically improve the efficiency with which they can screen and process **loan applications**.

Users find that the system typically reduces processing time from an

average of 12 hours per application down to as little as 15 minutes and...

...First, they weigh information from two principals to produce a combined business score. Second, using an integrated RMA Annual Statement Studies lookup table, the scorecard compares an applicant business's financial ratios to standards within the same industry, allowing lenders to evaluate businesses on an industry basis rather than in a vacuum.

A pooled-data scorecard was...

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**The First American Corporation Investor Day - Final**

Anonymous  
Fair Disclosure Wire pp: n/a  
Nov 8, 2005

**Journal Code:** FDCW  
**Word Count:** 46173

**Text:**

...I haven't studied it this way, but my guess is we have a higher ratio than just about any company out there, when you compare our U.S. ratio of employees to our offshore ratio.

Now, other companies have more folks offshore, but they probably don't have as high of a ratio for...originations. And you can see in 2003, when we had 11.1% margin, that was a 34% increase from the prior year in terms of mortgage applications and mortgage growth. And then last year, we saw a 27% decline in mortgage originations, so we were in a down market compared with 2003...it points out the opportunities that exist up and down the primary mortgage finance value chain if you think about it, from customer acquisition to loan application and qualification to underwriting or boarding of that customer, all the way to the securitization of those assets, turning them into mortgage-backed securities. I...

...of areas that we touched today. There's not one area in fact that we don't.

To a greater degree, we're in the loan application and underwriting area. Probably to a smaller degree, but growing very fast, customer acquisition. An important point to make about that is related to a ...our employer services segment, we've done a lot of product expansion in this business. We've got the background screening, we've got drug screening, we've got applicant tracking now, which has been a

great business to be in. We also added biometrics, which is a product area that will help that business in...on time. Loan officers and processors are constantly following up with appraisers and title agents to make sure all the necessary reports to complete the **loan package** are accurate and received in time to ensure that closing is not delayed. The follow-up occurs over the phone, e-mail and the Web...

...in the charts were for the fulfillment portion of the loans. So, in other words, basically, from the point in time they have a completed **loan application** to the point in time through closing is a process cost of anywhere from 800 to \$1,500, and that's the lender's process...

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## **Fraud Fight**

Totty, Patrick  
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### **Text:**

...management in Experian's Fraud and Identity Solutions Product Group, Costa Mesa, Calif. It sells Precise ID, Knowledge Based Authentication, and Hunter, products designed to detect fraud at the account-screening and account-opening levels.

Fraud is increasing the most on the Web, says (im Stickley, chief technology officer for Baton Rouge, La.-based TraceSecurity, a...

...how to avoid them," he says. "The credit union might offer snacks and soft drinks, and while it's discussing fraud, mention some of its **loan packages**-but no heavy selling."

### **Mortgage fraud**

Another dumpster-diving variant is mortgage fraud. In early November, Experian released Hunter, a link analysis product new to...

...fraud losses for the top 30 mortgage lenders in the U.K. Beyond helping clients defend against mortgage fraud, Hunter is currently the leading **application fraud detection** product in the U.K.

"Crooks go after all kinds of credit and will use pieces of real information, such as names and Social security...

...and staffing are too costly. As a result, they seriously consider which products they offer based on the risks and operational costs associated with fighting **fraud**. He says outsourced **fraud detection** services likely will become more prominent in the industry.

"There are tools," Gibson adds, "that will allow credit unions to manage both **fraud risk** and...

...institutions.

By year's end, RiskProfile expects to aggregate and assess security processes at more than 1,000 institutions, providing the first industrywide, statistically significant **benchmark** for **comparison** of industry security practices. In 2007, the system will deliver peer-to-peer benchmarking, detailed reporting, and progress tracking of individual institutional improvements.

Nearly 500...

...the free assessment is a free RiskProfile report and benchmarking information as it becomes available. Next year, an enhanced system will deliver ongoing monitoring, performance **comparisons**, and peer-to-peer **benchmarking** and analysis for a fee.

Perimeter has scheduled weekly, free Webinars explaining how to use and customize the tool, and interpret the results. Visit riskprofile...

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### **How to Analyze HMDA Data**

Fortowsky, Elaine; Skanderson, David M

ABA Bank Compliance v27n6 pp: 8-14

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#### **Text:**

...thought, judgment, and attention to detail by experienced humans.

#### **Why Analyze Your HMDA Data?**

Each year, "HMDA season" starts when institutions begin releasing their **Loan Application Register (LAR)** data to public requestors-generally in early April. This kicks off a flurry of activity in which interested community groups, activists, and news...

...banking regulators' examination process. Basic analysis of disparities and regression analysis of HMDA data are used in the scoping process of compliance examinations, and in screening to identify areas of an institution's lending for more in-depth examination through comparative file review.<sup>3</sup> Lenders who are proactive in understanding what the public...

...patterns in the data

\* Basic disparity measures: examining "raw" prohibited-basis denial and pricing disparities to understand the public view of your institution's data

\* **Comparison** to peers: **benchmarking** disparity measures against other lenders to understand whether your institution is an outlier

\* In-depth regression analysis: determining whether prohibited-basis disparities remain after controlling...

...than 1.0 indicates that the opposite occurred (reverse disparity), and a ratio equal to 1.0 indicates equal likelihood of denial. A similar disparity **ratio** concept is used for **comparing** the proportions of loans with reportable APR spreads among groups.

TABLE 1: 2005 National Aggregate HMDA Denial Disparities<sup>7</sup>

Conventional Home-Purchase Loans Applications, 1 to...

...by Federal Reserve Board Regulation C, requires most mortgage lenders with offices in metropolitan areas to disclose to the public certain information about the home **loan applications** they take and home loans they originate. HMDA has been amended several times. The most recent version of Regulation C, issued in 2002, required the...

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### **Discrimination in mortgage lending: A critical review of the literature**

LaCour-Little, Michael  
Journal of Real Estate Literature v7n1 pp: 15-49  
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#### **Text:**

...Third are default studies, in which default probabilities are estimated



using ex post data on loans actually originated. Fourth are rejection probability models using individual **loan applications**.

### 3.1. Financial economics of mortgages

The mortgage market has evolved considerably over the past twenty years, with the evolution of a wide array of...tract composition.

Aggregate studies suffer from the difficulty of separating demand and supply effects, particularly when differences would be revealed only by analysis of individual **loan applications**. We cannot know by comparing average characteristics of neighborhoods whether individuals are denied loans for discriminatory reasons or because their particular characteristics warranted application rejection...taken as evidence of discriminatory underwriting. Rejection probability models have considerably more difficult data requirements, compared to mortgage choice studies, since detailed information on individual **loan application** outcomes is needed.

A number of rejection models have been estimated, all taking form similar to the mortgage choice models described previously: (Formula Omitted)

But now  $R = 1$  if the **loan application** is rejected,  $R = 0$  if the **loan application** is accepted,  $X$  is a vector of application underwriting characteristics,  $z = 1$  if the applicant is minority,  $z = 0$  if the applicant is not minority...function must be known prior to application; otherwise rejection probability could not affect loan terms. Chronologically, the borrower chooses loan terms prior to submitting the **loan application** so that loan terms cannot be endogenous to the rejection equation. Both  $D^*$  and  $R^*$  are unobservable. We observe  $D = 1$  (default) when  $D > D^*$ ...false written application to a federally insured financial institution constitutes fraud. While informal testing could, and has been, accomplished without actual submission of a written **loan application**, such an approach misses the underwriting stage entirely, which is where disparate treatment is alleged to occur. Fix and Struyk (1993) thoroughly discuss matched-- pair...may self-select into the FHA category for reasons unrelated to discrimination.

### 4.5. Rejection probability studies

Another wave of research augments HMDA data on **loan application** outcomes with additional variables and then applies probability models to assess the effects of race and racial or income level composition of neighborhood on the...

...of these studies was the Boston Federal Reserve Study (BFS) undertaken during 1990, the first year that FIRREA amendments to HMDA required collection of detailed **loan application** data. Since HMDA data do not provide information on debt burdens or on credit histories of individual applicants, the BFS gathered additional information on each...

...mortgage lenders during 1990. The controversial BFS conclusion was that "race does play a role as lenders consider whether to deny or approve a mortgage **loan application**" (emphasis added)<sup>31</sup>. Thus, the study provided support for claims of disparate treatment, not merely unintentional disparate impact.

Many disagreed with this conclusion. Liebowitz and...

...into equilibrium through a price adjustment process; rather, we observe the minimum<sup>34</sup> of supply and demand when loans are granted and only demand when the **loan application** is rejected.<sup>35</sup> So the quantity of interest, loan supply, is always censored. An additional problem lies in the difficulty in generalizing from individual market...is an owner; then the question is whether to refinance given interest rates and expected tenure in the home.

Most researchers model the borrower's **loan application** process as binary: application accepted or rejected. Yet a range of outcomes is actually possible: the application may be approved and the loan made, the...

...the fraction of applications who are minority is small and the approval rate for those who are minority is high. Such a practice would involve **illegal**, but hard-to-detect, overscreening of minority applicants and is certainly contrary to the spirit and intent of both CRA and fair lending statutes. While there are no rigorous...set for the purpose of studying marketwide discrimination effects. As previously noted, such studies cannot identify marketwide discrimination effect, since we do not know whether **loan applications** rejected by one lender are subsequently approved by another. From a regulatory enforcement perspective, knowledge that discrimination exists "somewhere" in the market is of negligible...percent of loan amount for the mortgage insurance guaranty, substantially more than private mortgage insurance rates, although FHA will usually allow higher loan-to-value **ratios**, complicating the **comparison**).

11. Hunter and Walker advance the "cultural affinity" hypothesis under which the (typically) white loan officer has less cultural affinity with minority loan applicants and...is that the coefficient on LTV ratio is biased downward, as the coefficient on minority "absorbs" some of that relationship to rejection probability.

45. **Loan applications** may still be denied under these conditions, for appraisal reasons (not considered here), because of unfavorable "surprises" in the credit report (reportedly a common event...

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**Risk-rating systems bring consistency to commercial lending**

Laudeman, Mark  
Commercial Lending Review v8n3 pp: 28-39  
Summer 1993  
**ISSN: 0886-8204 Journal Code: CLV**

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...see the small-business market as a growth opportunity. The profit potential in banking the small business is a function of the efficient processing of **loan applications** and of basing decisions on a thorough analysis of each loan applicant.

\* Credit policies typically have not given lenders much guidance on what constitutes a...impossible to implement. For example, the rules for rating a single ratio like the leverage ratio would need to consider:

\* the historic trend of the **ratio**,

\* a **comparison** with industry averages,

\* whether the **ratio** is in line with the bank's tolerance for leverage as defined by its policy,

\* any causal relationships with other financial ratios,

\* the extent of...

...follows many different decision rules so that the leverage rating reflects the following: the trend in the ratio over the past several periods, how the **ratio compares** with the average leverage **ratio** of its industry peers, whether it is within the range of acceptable leverage defined in the bank's credit policy, and the extent to which...ratios are combined into an overall risk rating, the collective change may be significant enough to trigger a loan officer's interest. In addition, risk **assessments** streamline reporting by eliminating the **false** alarms that can limit the effectiveness of a reporting system based on payment delinquency, overdrafts, or financial statement ratios.

RISK RATING OF PROSPECTIVE CUSTOMERS. By...

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...s operating efficiency ratio for the third quarter of 2007 was 63.3%,

compared with 68.5% in the same period last year. This also compares with an operating efficiency ratio of 63.0% in the second quarter of 2007, excluding the impact of the RAL/RT programs and the one-time items recorded in that...

...Programs

The Company has carefully reviewed its 2007 RAL/RT program, re-running its enhanced fraud screening and stronger underwriting criteria against all of the **loan applications**. Had the enhanced risk management controls been applied during the entire 2007 tax season, the Company would have denied an additional 90,000 RAL applications...

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**Bracken Awards: Country Awards**

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...technology service, introducing online signature capture software, thereby reducing the time needed to complete customer transactions, and a system for real-time processing of retail loan applications.

**BELARUS**

Belagroprombank

Belagroprombank has established itself as an efficient universal bank that has been able to grow rapidly by offering a balanced mix of strong... currency devaluation.

The bank has maintained high-core liquidity ratios, particularly in foreign currencies, has a good asset quality (the doubtful loans to total loans ratio is 5.85% compares with 12% for the whole banking sector) and has one of the lowest cost-to-income ratios.

It has also hedged its capital in foreign...wide range of internet transactions have been introduced, including the first online loyalty cash bonus redemption product in Taiwan, while a real-time credit card fraud detection system has been launched.

Second place was awarded to Bank SinoPac.

**TANZANIA**

Standard Chartered Bank Tanzania

Standard Chartered Bank Tanzania, which produced an 18.1...

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An alternative approach to identifying councils 'at risk'.

Walker, R.G.; Jones, Stewart

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...financial distress in private sector firms. Motivation for this research has been to protect the interests of investors and lenders, particularly banks that need to screen loan applications and monitor their loan portfolios. Typically these studies employ some

form of discrete choice model (such as linear discriminant analysis, logit or probit models) where firm distress...

...in the interpretation of the concept of 'satisfactory condition'.

Further, not every council appears to take the requirement seriously, with some arriving at estimates by **comparing book values** with **current** replacement costs, and others making crude rather than systematic based assessments (see Walker et al., 1999). However, with experience and greater investment of time and...

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Cross Reference: WAS SANTA BARBARA BANCORP

Company Status: Active

Exchange: NMS

Ticker Symbol: PCBC

Location of Incorporation: CA

Primary SIC Code: 6022

Other SIC Codes: 6712

#### Description of Business:

The Group's principal activities are to provide commercial banking services to households, professionals and small to medium sized businesses. The banking services include making commercial, leasing, consumer, commercial and residential real estate loans and small business administration guaranteed loans. Deposits are accepted for checking, interest-bearing checking, money-market, savings, and time accounts. It also offers safe deposit boxes, travelers checks, money orders, foreign exchange services, and cashiers checks. The Group through the trust and investment services division offers wealth management services. The services are offered through 50 banking offices under the brand names Santa Barbara Bank and Trust, First National Bank of Central California, South Valley National Bank, San Benito Bank and First Bank of San Luis Obispo. As of 31-Dec-2008 the Group has 51 branches.

#### Description of Business:

Full record with Footnotes in Fmt 9

#### President's Letter:

#### Management Discussion:

...The Company incurred larger than anticipated losses as a result of improved fraud screening by the IRS in 2007. The IRS made changes to its **fraud detection** system and penalty collection practices for the 2007 tax season which have both contributed to the increased losses on RALs. The RAL pre-file product also experienced higher losses due to the new IRS **fraud detection** system. The RAL pre-file product is a

RAL product that was offered in advance of the taxpayer's filing of their tax return, primarily...for comparability, charge-offs amounts and ratios for the Company are shown both with total loans and "other loans" which exclude RALs. In order to **compare** the **ratio** of net charge-offs to average loans to our peers, it is best to **compare** the **ratio** of net charge-offs to average loans excluding RALs. Exclusive of RALs, the ratio of net charge-offs to average loans over the last five ...funds advanced due to the increased credit risk rather than the length of time that the loan is outstanding. Nonetheless, because the customer signs a **loan application** and note, the Company reports the fees as interest income.

RT Fees

When customers do not choose or do not **qualify** for a RAL, they...

Footnotes:

...financial statements.

Legal

The Company has been a defendant in a class action lawsuit brought on behalf of

persons who entered into a refund anticipation **loan**

**application** and agreement

(the "RAL Agreement") with the Company from whose tax refund the Company deducted a debt owed by the applicant to another RAL lender...